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**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***5/B*

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Re: Application of:      **Richard M. Podhajny**  
Serial No.:      10/003,799  
Filed:      November 2, 2001  
For:      **ANTI-MICROBIAL PACKAGING  
MATERIALS AND METHODS FOR  
MAKING THE SAME**

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7-2-03***AMENDMENT****VIA FACSIMILE 1-703-746-7648**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 26, 2003 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel 1-22, 32-33 and 35-38 without prejudice.

Please amend claim 23 as follows:

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23. (Amended) A packaging material having anti-microbial properties on at least one surface thereof, comprising an anti-microbial coating layer printed on the surface of said packaging material, said coating layer comprising an exposed surface containing a polymer and zeolites containing anti-microbial metal ions, said zeolites having a particle size of between about 2 and about 5 microns, a pore size of between about 3 and about 5 Angstroms, and comprising from about 0.5% to about 10% by weight of said coating layer.